

SBG's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election violates the letter and spirit of federal laws governing campaign finance and advertising. (It is also an example of the dangers of media consolidation.)

This documentary is partisan, misrepresentative propaganda, and SBG's decision to force its stations to air it 10 days before the election is a disgusting attempt to slander a national official.

It is not news; it is a long pro-Bush advertisement calculated to affect the election outcome.

I believe that it would be equally inappropriate for SBG (or another broadcast company) to require its stations to air a documentary about Bush's activities during the Vietnam war, his drinking and driving, or his alleged cocaine use.

If Sinclair goes ahead with airing this political advertisement, the FCC should require it to give the Kerry campaign (or an equivalent pro-Kerry organization) equal ad-free time in an equally powerful time slot on a date of their choosing (before the election).

Thank you for your time.